

December 10, 2023

**Second Sunday
Of Advent**



Scripture Readings:
Isaiah 40:1-11; Psalm 85:9-14
2 Peter 3:8-14; Mark 1:1-8

“Prepare the way of the Lord...” - MARK 1:3

We are all called to live a holy life. We are all called to invite others to live holy lives. Living a stewardship lifestyle, being grateful and generous with our gifts, puts us on the path to holiness and is an example for others to be holy, too. We are responsible not only for our own lives, but for the lives of others as well. How are you helping others get to Heaven?

Liturgical Assignments – Dec. 16/17	
Lector	
4:30 p.m.	Ashley Kountz
9:00 a.m.	Chris Williams
Altar Servers	
4:30 p.m.	Jude Stewart / Volunteer Needed
9:00 a.m.	Aaden Pearce/Volunteer Needed
Weekday	School Servers
Money Counters	
Rhonda Christie / Nancy Teschner	
Sacrificial Offerings to God – December 2/3	
Envelopes	16,299.57
Plate	328.00
Votives	46.05
Repair/Utility Fund	2,406.00
Miscellaneous	625.00
TOTAL	19,704.62
Average Weekly Offertory Needed	\$14,360.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This weekend the second collection goes to the **Retirement for Religious Appeal**. Your gift provides vital support for senior Catholic sisters, brothers and religious order priests.

I would like to relay my heartfelt thanks to all those from the parish for your prayers and help during my recent illness. Continued prayers are appreciated as I work toward my recovery. God bless you all!

Chris Roberts



St. Vincent de Paul Food Drive This Next Weekend
Leave your non-perishables in the back of church.



St. James School Food Drive
Thank you to the school for your support during the month of November; a pickup load of items was delivered to Interserv for local distribution to our south side families. Also, thanks to our parishioners for their generous donations on the second Sunday of each month!

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Holy Name Society Advent Dinner -THU, DEC 14th
6PM in the MMHall. This will be a catered affair. Bring a prospective member.

Christmas Memorials - \$15.
Deadline is Friday, December 15th. Note: Donations to Christmas memorials go toward the flowers used to decorate the altar for the Christmas season. Remaining donations are put in our operating fund.



*Sacred Host, summit and source of all worship and Christian life,
Have mercy on us.*

THIS WEEK AT SAINT JAMES

Sunday, December 10	Confessions – 8:40 am or after 9 am Mass Mass – 9 am Coffee and Donuts after Mass RCIA – 10:00 am, Casper Erk Rm CCD – 10:00 am, School Confessions – Noon or after Latin Mass Latin Mass – 12:30 pm Coffee and Donuts after Mass
Monday	Confessions – 7:30 a.m.
Tuesday	3rd Grade Our Lady of Guadalupe Play 2:30 am, Church
Wednesday	Confessions – 7:30 am Adoration – 9 am to noon Legion of Mary – 9:00 a.m., C. Erk Rm
Thursday	Holy Name Advent Dinner – 6pm, MMHall
Friday	Confessions – 7:30 a.m. Parish Office Closed
Saturday	5:45 Men’s Group – 6 am, MMHall Confessions – 3:45 p.m. Mass – 4:30 p.m.
Sunday, December 17	Confessions – 8:40 am or after 9 am Mass Mass – 9 am RCIA – 10:00 am, Casper Erk Rm CCD – 10:00 am, School Confirmation – 10:00 am, School Confessions – Noon or after Latin Mass Latin Mass – 12:30 pm Coffee and Donuts after Mass

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Adore / Advent with Fr. John Burns

You have a choice this Advent: Get caught up in the annual rush of shopping, decorating, and parties or slow down and take a few minutes each day to remember who this season is really about—Jesus.

In *Adore*, popular author and speaker Fr. John Burns and illustrator Valerie Delgado of Pax. Valerie will help you reclaim the sacred sense of longing and joyful hope at the heart of Advent, focusing on a new theme each week—vigilance, preparation, nearness, and Emmanuel—that you can relate to your own life.

**To Sign up for Free: visit signup.formed.org
Enter our parish zip code: 64504**

Bishop’s Annual Appeal Update for St. James

24 households, \$6,193.00 / 30% of our \$20,853.00 goal.

Remember Your Loved Ones at Christmas

Mt. Olivet Cemetery in St. Joseph is starting a new tradition with a Memorial Christmas Tree. Bring a picture of your loved one and we will make an ornament and place it on our tree. Free will donations will be accepted. All proceeds will go towards our Chapel. Call 816-279-5005 with any questions.

St. James Altar Society is now using Flocknote!

If you would like to join our Altar Society or just receive information about our group and updates on events, please text ALTARSOCIETY6450 to 84576.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 9
Second Sunday of Advent
4:30 p.m. – Dallas Hunt +

Sunday, December 10
Second Sunday of Advent
9:00 a.m. – Mary Ann Hughes +
Second Sunday of Advent
12:30 p.m. – Latin
Pro Populo

Monday, December 11
St. Damasus I, Pope
8:00 a.m. – Steve Smith

Tuesday, December 12
Our Lady of Guadalupe
NO MASS

Wednesday, December 13
St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr
8:00 a.m. – Florence Sale +

Thursday, December 14
St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church
NO MASS

Friday, December 15
Advent Weekday
8:00 a.m. – Robert Betts +

Saturday, December 16
Third Sunday of Advent
4:30 p.m. – Steve Belz +

Sunday, December 17
Third Sunday of Advent
9:00 a.m. – Michael & Frances Hernandez, Mary Ann Ellis +
Third Sunday of Advent
12:30 p.m. – Latin
Pro Populo

(A cross indicates that the Mass intention is for a deceased loved one.)